

KAYAK

Denise and her parents go to [hand/ are/ the] river almost every weekend when the weather [is/ at/ of] warm. Her parents are expert kayakers, [are/ got/ but] this is only Denise's second summer paddling [or/ but/ a] kayak. Her parents have decided Denise [of/ is/ at] ready for some "big water" and [for/ hat/ are] taking her to the Ocoee River.

Denise [ate/ is/ off] a little nervous as she takes [hate/ pot/ her] boat off the car at [the/ time/ fort] riverside. She dresses for the river [at/ by/ it] putting on a spray jacket over [her/ jar/ got] bathing suit. The water is very [cold/ feel/ ever], and the waterproof jacket helps keep [ate/ her/ lot] warm. She pulls her spray skirt [around/ copper/ coaster] her waist. This makes a waterproof [seal/ coach/ fright] when she sits in the cockpit [as/ it/ of] the boat and pulls the skirt tightly [throat/ toast/ around] the rim of cockpit of the [lock/ boat/ stick]. After putting on her life jacket [sat/ and/ yes] helmet, she pulls her boat to [the/ ape/ two] edge of the water and sits [in/ of/ we] it with her legs stretched out [do/ top/ in] front of her. She holds her [butter/ paddle/ yellow] as someone slides her into the [piece/ water/ chair].

Although she is a little anxious, [she/ tar/ bat] remembers to keep paddling smoothly. As [toe/ she/ rap] and her family approach the first [got/ you/ big] rapid, her mother suggests that they get [out/ are/ top] of the boats and walk down [and/ are/ the] river to look at the rapid. [West/ This/ Upon] is called "scouting" a rapid. Paddlers [light/ watch/ plate] the patterns of the water and currents [the/ sad/ and]

decide which is the safest way to paddle without flipping [over/ rack/ want].

They get back into their kayaks. Denise [the/ and/ give] her father sit in the calm [waters/ really/ trails] of an eddy and watch as [and/ are/ her] mother runs the rapids. Denise's heart [at/ of/ is] pounding as she watches her father [poster/ office/ paddle] his way through the rapid. It [is/ of/ at] her turn. Her parents are sitting in [an/ of/ is] eddy at the end of the [shout/ home/ rapid] waiting for her to paddle her [boat/ catch/ lope] into the fast-moving white water.

[Ten/ And/ She] takes a few strokes, and turns downstream. [To/ As/ It] soon as she enters the current, [her/ and/ ate] speed picks up. The first wave [it/ an/ of] icy wild water rises over the [roar/ open/ boat] and sprays her in the face. "[Stag/ Well/ Near], I've made it this far," she coaches herself. "[It's/ Lip/ Yes] not as scary as I thought."

Suddenly [an/ of/ up] unexpected wave strikes the side of [tap/ get/ her] boat. The next thing she knows, [fast/ and/ she] is upside-down in the freezing [water/ short/ catch]. After a short panic, she remembers [and/ fan/ her] training and practice. "I've got to [when/ roll/ neat]." She positions her paddle in the [shout/ match/ water] and flips herself upright. Feeling confident [after/ watch/ least] her successful roll, she moves her [lastly/ paddle/ needle] precisely through the water and runs [and/ are/ the] rest of the rapid.